

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace all previous versions of the claims with the following listing:

1-78. (Canceled)

79. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, further comprising a second endless frame structure defining an opening, the second endless frame structure being aligned with the first endless frame structure.

80. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, wherein the first endless frame structure forms an endless track.

81. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, wherein the object comprises a work platform adapted to carry one or more individuals.

82. (Withdrawn) A device according to claim 78, wherein the object comprises seating for one or more individuals.

83. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, wherein the object comprises control means ~~(291) for controlling~~ configured to control the position of the object in relation to the track portion.

84. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, wherein the first endless frame structure forms an essentially elongated structure.

85. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, further comprising ~~means for~~ lifting and/or lowering means configured to lift, lower and/or displace the device in relation to the structure, the lifting and/or lowering means comprising power means ~~such as electric motors, hydraulic~~

~~and/or pneumatic means for lifting, lowering and/or displacing the device in relation to the structure.~~

86. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, further comprising control means ~~for controlling~~ configured to control the lifting and/or lowering means.

87. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, wherein the device is adapted to assist individuals in performing inspection, work, repair, surface treatment ~~[[etc]]~~ and the like on a rotor blade of a wind turbine.

88. (Currently Amended) A device ~~according to claim 78, further comprising~~ for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising a first endless frame structure defining an opening, wherein at least part of the first endless frame structure forms a track portion, the track portion being adapted to guide, in relation to the track portion, a movable object along the track portion, and an alignment arrangement configured to extend outward from perimeter of the first endless frame structure, engage the structure and move for aligning the structure into alignment with the opening defined by the first endless frame structure.

89. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim 88, wherein the alignment arrangement comprises a first displaceable arm having guiding means, the first displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first position to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm being, when in ~~[[its]]~~the second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via ~~[[its]]~~the guiding means of the first displaceable arm, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by ~~withdrawing~~ drawing the catch ~~member~~ element along the guiding means of the first displaceable arm while the catch ~~member~~ element is in contact with the structure.

90. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The device according to claim 89, further comprising a second displaceable arm having guiding means, the second displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first position to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable ~~[[arms]]~~arm being, when in ~~[[their]]~~the second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via ~~[[their]]~~the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by ~~withdrawing~~ drawing the catch ~~member~~ element along ~~[[their]]~~ the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm while the catch ~~member~~ element is in contact with the structure.

91. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The device according to claim 90, wherein the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm ~~[[arms]]~~ are ~~pivotably~~ pivotally mounted on a first support element and a second support element, respectively.

92. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The device according to claim 91, wherein the first support element and the second support element ~~elements~~ are ~~pivotably~~ pivotally mounted on ~~[[an]]~~ the first endless frame structure.

93. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88 further comprising rotatably mounted docking means arranged in the opening defined by ~~[[an]]~~the first endless frame structure, the rotatably mounted docking means being adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by ~~[[said]]~~the first endless frame structure.

94. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The device according to claim 93, wherein a total of at least five rotatably mounted docking means are arranged in the opening defined by the first endless frame structure.

95. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim ~~[[78]]~~88, further comprising a docking arrangement adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by ~~[[an]]~~ the first endless frame structure, the docking arrangement comprising a pair of flexible belts, each belt being arranged between a rigid end point and a belt tightener, the belt tighteners and the end points being arranged on ~~[[said]]~~ the first endless frame structure, each of the belt tighteners being adapted to tighten the ~~[[belts]]~~ respective belt by bringing ~~[[them]]~~ the respective belt from a relaxed state to a tightened state in order to fixate the structure in relation to the device.

96. (Currently Amended) A device for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising an endless path for individuals, the endless path defining an opening, ~~the device further comprising and an alignment arrangement for aligning configured to extend outward from perimeter of the first endless path,~~ engage the structure and move the structure into alignment with the opening defined by the endless path.

97. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim 96, wherein the alignment arrangement comprises a first displaceable arm having guiding means, the first displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first position to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm being, when in ~~[[its]]~~ the second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via ~~[[its]]~~ the guiding means of the first displaceable arm, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by ~~withdrawing~~ drawing the catch ~~member~~ element along the guiding means of the first displaceable arm while the catch ~~member~~ element is in contact with the structure.

98. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim 97, further comprising a second displaceable arm having guiding means, the second displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first position to a second

position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable ~~[[arms]]~~ arm being, when in ~~[[their]]~~ the second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via ~~[[their]]~~ the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by ~~withdrawing~~ drawing the catch ~~member~~ element along ~~[[their]]~~ the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm while the catch ~~member~~ element is in contact with the structure.

99. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim 96, further comprising rotatably mounted docking means arranged in the opening defined by the endless path, the rotatably mounted docking means being adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the endless path.

100. (Previously Presented) ~~[[A]]~~ The device according to claim 99, wherein a total of at least five rotatably mounted docking means are arranged in the opening defined by the endless path.

101. (New) A device for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising:

a first endless frame structure defining an opening, wherein at least part of the first endless frame structure forms a track portion, the track portion being adapted to guide, in relation to the track portion a movable object along the track portion; and

a docking arrangement adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the first endless frame structure, the docking arrangement comprising a pair of flexible belts.

102. (New) The device according to claim 101, wherein each belt being arranged between a rigid end point and a belt tightener, the belt tighteners and

the end points being arranged on the first endless frame structure, each of the belt tighteners being adapted to tighten the respective belt by bringing the respective belt from a relaxed state to a tightened state in order to fixate the structure in relation to the device.

103. (New) A device for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising:

- an endless path for individuals, the endless path defining an opening;
- an alignment arrangement for aligning the structure with the opening defined by the endless path; and
- a docking arrangement adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the first endless frame structure, the docking arrangement comprising a pair of flexible belts.

104. (New) The device according to claim 103, wherein each belt being arranged between a rigid end point and a belt tightener, the belt tighteners and the end points being arranged on the first endless frame structure, each of the belt tighteners being adapted to tighten the respective belt by bringing the respective belt from a relaxed state to a tightened state in order to fixate the structure in relation to the device.

105. (New) The device according to claim 79, further comprising a second displaceable arm having guiding means, the second displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first position to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm being, when in the second position, respectively, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by drawing the catch element along the guiding means of both the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm while the catch element is in contact with the structure.

106. (New) The device according to claim 105, wherein the first displaceable arm and the second displaceable arm are pivotally mounted on a first support element and a second support element, respectively.

107. (New) The device according to claim 106, wherein the first support element and the second support element are pivotally mounted on the first endless frame structure or the second endless frame structure.

108. (New) The device according to claim 79, further comprising rotatably mounted docking means arranged in the opening defined by the first endless frame structure or the opening defined by the second endless structure, the rotatably mounted docking means being adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the first endless frame structure or the opening defined by the second endless frame structure.

109. (New) The device according to claim 108, wherein a total of at least five rotatably mounted docking means are arranged in the opening defined by the first endless frame structure or the opening defined by the second endless frame structure.

110. (New) The device according to claim 79, further comprising a docking arrangement adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the first endless frame structure or the opening defined by the second endless frame structure, the docking arrangement comprising a pair of flexible belts, each belt being arranged between a rigid end point and a belt tightener, the belt tighteners and the end points being arranged on the first endless frame structure or the second endless frame structure, each of the belt tighteners being adapted to tighten the respective belt by bringing the respective belt from a relaxed state to a tightened state in order to fixate the structure in relation to the device.